

# SWOSU Freshmen Achieve High Scores on CAAP

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Among the 47 Southwestern Oklahoma State University students who won cash achievement awards as part of ACT's Collegiate Assessment of Academic Proficiency (CAAP) testing on the Weatherford campus were (front from left): Tiana Osberry, Amber Wasinger, Bailey Roberts, Stacy Geswender, Brooklyn Hendry, Bria Chaffin, Jessey Colon and Clayton Cowan. Middle row from left-Aaron Snider, Zack Neely, Judy Altizer, Kenzie Hemingway, Jenna Mariani Hannah Myers and Brandon Earney. Back row from left-Justin Jennings, Brian Jauregui, Allison Cox, Shelby Murrell, Logan Willits, Denton Schuermann and Trevor Kirkhart.

Forty-seven Southwestern Oklahoma State University students won cash achievement awards as part of ACT's Collegiate Assessment of Academic Proficiency (CAAP) testing on the Weatherford campus.

Jan Noble, director of assessment at SWOSU, said cash prizes ranged from \$16 to \$250.

For the fourth year, SWOSU administered the standardized examination as a component of institutional assessment. Supporting the testing were the SWOSU Student Government Association, faculty committees and the executive administration.

Noble said two components of CAPP were used this year: Critical Thinking and Writing Essay. For the first time, eligible SWOSU freshmen were asked to be involved in completing one of these two tests. Four hundred forty-three students participated during a freshmen college composition I class period.

"By testing lower classmen as well as upper classmen, we can document performance gains of students' achievement levels over time," Noble said.

Through this testing, the freshmen also competed for the cash prizes awarded for highest scores in four different groups based on SWOSU admission test scores.